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Applicant : Wallace *et al.*
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For : **METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING COMPOUNDS AS ANTIOXIDANTS**
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of the present Amendment. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and the necessary fee. A Notice of Appeal is also submitted herewith. It is submitted that this Amendment puts the claims in condition for allowance, or alternatively, puts the claims in better condition for appeal.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.